

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**Page 6, third paragraph, delete in its entirety, and replace with the following:**

A radiation image forming unit according to the present invention has a stimuable phosphor sheet and a case for storing the stimuable phosphor sheet. The stimuable phosphor sheet or the case is associated with a removable sheet member of a different material, e.g., a radiation shield plate for blocking scattered rays, a radiation energy separating filter, or the like. If the sheet member of the different material is not required depending on imaging applications and conditions, then the sheet member of the different material may be removed from the radiation image forming unit. Furthermore, sheet members of various different materials having different ~~thicknesses-thicknesses~~ may be used replaceably.

**Page 9, first full paragraph, delete in its entirety, and replace with the following:**

Since the sheet member of the different material is removably attached to the radiation image forming cassette, the same radiation image forming cassette can be used in various different processes, and is economical.

**Page 13, fourth paragraph (spanning pages 13 and 14), delete in its entirety, and replace with the following:**

As shown in FIG. 1, the frame 18 has an end face 34 which serves as a trailing end when the stimuable phosphor sheet 12 is inserted into the case 14 in the direction indicated by the arrow A. The end face 34 provides a case end face of the case 14. The color of the end face 34 is different from the color of the other surfaces for preventing the stimuable phosphor sheet 12 from being inserted into the case 14 in a wrong direction.